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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.192

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Primary Examiner mailed March 11, 2003 finally rejecting claims 82-85 of the above-identified patent application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as :
Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) (fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of March 11, 2003 to and through September 11, 2003 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of three (3) months.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL	\$160	\$0	\$320	\$320.00
ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$55	\$0	\$110	\$0
TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$205	\$0	\$410	\$0
THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$465	\$0	\$930	\$930.00
FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$725	\$0	\$1450	\$0
FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$985	\$0	\$1970	\$0
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TOTAL FEE DUE		\$0		\$1250.00

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- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

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